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SUBJECT: FRG RELATIONS WITH NORTH VIET-NAM

1. FONOFF SEA DIRECTOR, BERENDONCK, INFORMED US NOV. 22 THAT IT HAD JUST BEEN DECIDED TO HOLD FIRST ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE FRG AND NORTH VIET-NAM IN PARIS ON NOV. 27. NEGOTIATORS WILL BE FRG AMBASSADOR VON BRAUN AND THE NORTH VIET-NAMESE AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE.

2. BERENDONCK FORESEES TWO MAIN SUBJECT AREAS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS:

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A. AGREEMENT ON FRG REPRESENTATION OF WEST BERLIN.

BERENDONCK SAID THERE HAD BEEN LITTLE APPARENT PROGRESS ON THIS ISSUE. AT ONE TIME, THE GERMANS THOUGHT THEY HAD AN INDICATION OF NORTH VIET-NAMESE WILLINGNESS TO DEAL WITH BERLIN REPRESENTATION IN THE SAME WAY EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES SUCH AS THE CSSR HAVE DONE, BUT NORTH VIET-NAMESE REPS IN PARIS SUBSEQUENTLY REFUSED TO CONFIRM THIS. HOWEVER, BERENDONCK SAID, THE NORTH VIET-NAMESE APPEARED NOW AT LEAST TO BE PREPARED TO REGARD BERLIN AS A LEGITIMATE SUBJECT FOR NEGOTIATION.

B. TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUCH AS SIZE OF MISSIONS, COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES, THE NAMING OF AMBASSADORS, ETC.

3. BERENDONCK THOUGHT THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS (WHICH WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE GERMAN AND NORTH VIET-NAMESE EMBASSIES IN PARIS) WOULD STRETCH OVER SOME PERIOD OF TIME--PROBABLY INTO THE NEW YEAR. HE STRESSED THAT THE FRG HOPED TO ACHIEVE AS MUCH CLARITY AS POSSIBLE ON ALL OF THE PROCEDURES AND ISSUES SO AS TO AVOID THE SITUATION IN WHICH A NUMBER OF WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES THAT HAVE ESTABLISHED RELATIONS WITH THE NORTH VIET-NAMESE PRESENTLY FIND THEMSELVES--I.E., AMBASSADORS UNABLE TO PRESENT CREDENTIALS, AGREEMENTS NOT ISSUED, ETC. HE NOTED THAT THE NORTH VIET-NAMESE MADE DIFFICULTIES OF THIS KIND PRIMARILY FOR THE COUNTRIES WHICH, LIKE THE FRG, REFUSED TO HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE PRG. BERENDONCK EMPHASIZED THAT THE FRG FEELS ITSELF UNDER NO PRESSURE, FROM ITS OWN PUBLIC OPINION OR OTHERWISE, AND IS THEREFORE PREPARED TO TAKE AS LONG AS NECESSARY WITH THESE NEGOTIATIONS IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A SATISFACTORY RESULT.

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